

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. RA043D2C6C2)

In the Application of:)

FARMWALD ET AL.)

Serial No: 09/801,151)

Filed: March 7, 2001)

Title: MEMORY DEVICE HAVING A)
PROGRAMMABLE REGISTER)

Group Art Unit: 2818

Before

Examiner: T. Nguyen

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J. Markley
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Washington, DC 20231

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

The documents listed in the PTO-1449 are documents which were cited and provided in parent applications of the above-referenced application, namely App. Serial No. 09/629,497 filed July 31, 2000, which is a continuation of App. Serial No. 09/566,551, filed May 8, 2000. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) and M.P.E.P. §609, copies of the documents listed in the modified Form PTO-1449 are not provided herewith.

It is believed that the Examiner may find the documents cited in the modified Form PTO-1449 material to the patentability of one or more of the claims in the above-captioned application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner make his consideration of these references formally of record with the initial Office Action.

Furthermore, the construction or interpretation of a number of terms have recently been considered in a *Markman* opinion issued in a U.S. District Court For Eastern District of Virginia case, namely Rambus Inc. v. Infineon Technologies A.G., et al. This case involves U.S. Patents which are related family members of the instant Application. A number of claims pending in the instant

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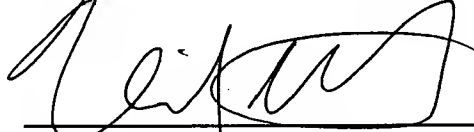
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application incorporate the term "bus". A discussion of "bus" may be found on pages 17-41 of the *Markman* opinion.

By submission of this *Markman* opinion, Applicants make no statement as to the correctness of the constructions set forth therein. Indeed, as is apparent from that opinion, the court substantially adopted the constructions proposed by the defendants, and not that construction proposed by Rambus, the owner of the instant application. A copy of the *Markman* opinion is also enclosed herewith.

Date: June 6, 2001

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Neil A. Steinberg', written over a horizontal line.

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